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What is claimed is:

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1. A lid for use with a container, comprising:
a panel;
a first dispensing opening on the panel;
a first closure on the panel, the first closure including a second dispensing opening and being configured to at least partially cover the first dispensing opening; and
a second closure on the panel, the second closure being configured to cover the second dispensing opening.
 2. The lid of claim 1, wherein the first closure includes a flap pivotally attached to the panel.
 3. The lid of claim 1, wherein the second closure includes a flap pivotally attached to the panel.
 4. The lid of claim 1, wherein the second dispensing opening is smaller than the first dispensing opening.
 5. The lid of claim 1, wherein the second dispensing opening is configured to receive a straw.
 6. The lid of claim 5, wherein the first closure includes a plurality of resilient retaining fingers configured to receive a straw and maintain engagement with the straw.

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Sub A27 7. The lid of claim 1, wherein the first closure includes a first flap attached to the panel and configured to pivot about a first axis and the second closure includes a second flap attached to the panel and configured to pivot about a second axis, the first and second axes being substantially parallel to one another.

8. The lid of claim 7, wherein the first flap and the second flap are configured to pivot in a same first direction when closing the lid and in a same second direction when exposing the first dispensing opening.

Sub A37 9. A closure for use with a container, comprising:
a panel;
a dispensing opening on the panel;
a first flap on the panel, the first flap being configured to reduce a size of the dispensing opening; and
a second flap on the panel, the second flap being configured to close the dispensing opening.

10. The lid of claim 9, wherein the first flap includes a second dispensing opening, the second dispensing opening being smaller than the first dispensing opening.

11. The lid of claim 10, wherein the second dispensing opening is configured to receive a straw.

12. The lid of claim 9, wherein the first flap includes a plurality of resilient members configured to receive a straw and maintain engagement with the straw.

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13. The lid of claim 9, wherein the first flap is configured to pivot about a first axis and the second flap is configured to pivot about a second axis, the first and second axes being substantially parallel to one another.

14. The lid of claim 13, wherein the first flap and the second flap are configured to pivot in a same first direction when closing the lid and in a same second direction when exposing the first dispensing opening.

15. A container assembly, comprising:
a container;
a lid configured for mounting on the container;
a dispensing opening on the lid;
a first flap on the lid, the first flap being configured to reduce a size of the dispensing opening; and
a second flap on the lid, the second flap being configured to close the dispensing opening.

16. The assembly of claim 15, wherein the first flap includes a second dispensing opening, the second dispensing opening being smaller than the first dispensing opening.

17. The assembly of claim 16, wherein the second dispensing opening is configured to receive a straw.

18. The assembly of claim 15, wherein the first flap includes a plurality of resilient members configured to receive a straw and maintain engagement with the straw.

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19. The assembly of claim 15, wherein the first flap is configured to pivot about a first axis and the second flap is configured to pivot about a second axis, the first and second axes being substantially parallel to one another.

Sub 147 20. The assembly of claim 19, wherein the first flap and the second flap are configured to pivot in a same first direction when closing the lid and in a same second direction when exposing the first dispensing opening.

21. The assembly of claim 15, wherein the container includes a first securement mechanism and the lid includes a second securement mechanism, the first securement mechanism and the second securement mechanism cooperating to secure the lid to the container.

22. The assembly of claim 15, wherein the lid includes at least one indicia configured to inform a consumer of a product in the container.

23. A closure for use with a container, comprising:
a panel;
a first dispensing opening on the panel;
a first flap on the panel, the first flap including a second dispensing opening, the first flap being pivotal between an open position exposing the first dispensing opening and a closed position modifying the first dispensing opening to the second dispensing opening; and
a second flap on the panel, the second flap being pivotal between an open position exposing the first flap and the second dispensing

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opening and a closed position covering the first flap and the second dispensing opening.

24. The closure of claim 23, wherein the second dispensing opening is smaller than the first dispensing opening.

25. The closure of claim 23, wherein the second dispensing opening is configured to receive a straw.

26. The closure of claim 25, wherein the first flap includes a plurality of resilient members configured to receive a straw and maintain engagement with the straw.

27. The closure of claim 23, wherein the first flap is configured to pivot about a first axis and the second flap is configured to pivot about a second axis, the first and second axes being substantially parallel to one another.

Sub A57 28. The lid of claim 23, wherein the first flap and the second flap are configured to pivot in a same first direction when closing the lid and in a same second direction when exposing the first dispensing opening.

29. A lid for use with a container containing a beverage, comprising:

a pouring assembly in the lid through which a beverage may be dispensed through a dispensing opening; and

a straw access assembly facilitating dispensing of the beverage through a straw, the pouring assembly and the straw access assembly being superimposed in a same lid region, the pouring assembly and the straw access assembly being interconnected and facilitating selective use of one of

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the pouring assembly and the straw access assembly for dispensing through the lid.

30. The lid of claim 29, wherein the straw access assembly includes a flap pivotally attached to the lid.

31. The lid of claim 29, further comprising a closure assembly configured to cover the pouring assembly and the straw access assembly.

32. The lid of claim 31, wherein the closure assembly includes a flap pivotally attached to the lid.

33. The lid of claim 29, wherein the straw access assembly includes a first flap attached to the lid and configured to pivot about a first axis and the closure assembly includes a second flap attached to the lid and configured to pivot about a second axis, the first and second axes being substantially parallel to one another.

34. The lid of claim 33, wherein the first flap and the second flap are configured to pivot in a same first direction when closing the lid and in a same second direction when exposing the dispensing opening.

35. The lid of claim 29, wherein the straw access assembly includes a second dispensing opening, the second dispensing opening being smaller than the dispensing opening of the pouring assembly.

36. The lid of claim 35, wherein the second dispensing opening is configured to receive a straw.

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37. The lid of claim 35, wherein the second dispensing opening includes a plurality of resilient retaining fingers configured to receive a straw and maintain engagement with the straw.

38. A method of selectively dispensing a beverage from a container through a wall thereof, comprising:
providing a pouring assembly in the wall;
providing a straw access assembly superimposed in a same lid region as the pouring assembly; and
selectively utilizing one of the pouring assembly and the straw access assembly for dispensing through the lid.

39. The method of claim 38, further including providing a closure assembly superimposed in a same lid region as the pouring assembly and the straw access assembly.

40. The method of claim 39, wherein said selectively utilizing includes selectively covering the pouring assembly and the straw access assembly to close the lid.

41. The method of claim 38, further comprising providing an indicia on the lid of a beverage in the container.

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